

JUST HEAR THE BARKERS.

Megaphones Their Latest Scheme to Lure the Public at Coney Island.

Now the "barker" talks through a megaphone instead of his hat.

Time was when the voice of the bawny barker in front of the Bowers resorts at Coney Island was numbered among the loudest of known noises.

The ocean could not beat mightily enough in the broad beach to drown the accents of the "barker" in its thunder. The mingled din of steam engines, merry-go-rounds, organ slides, the music of many hurdy-gurdies and the tread of countless people made altogether a mere accompaniment for the loud voice of the barker.

Organization minding their tilters away off shore heard with longing the invitation of the "barker," and wished they were near enough to accept it. The "barker" in those days was a giant in his sphere.

But that is all changed now. Science has armed the Coney Island "barker" with an instrument which makes him a fair competitor with a society of siren whistles or a chorus of Krupp guns.

As competition grew, the "barker's" voice had to grow, too. If the volume of his sound didn't increase when the management pulled out the "diapason stop" on him his vocal and convincing organ was a back number, and his job would shortly be gone.

So one decadent member of the "barkers," whose throat was worn with the barking of many years, hit upon a scheme. He had read in the papers about Bob Cook's coaching the Yale crew. One might as well stole off the city and get himself a megaphone.

He hid himself in a secret and practised on a night down on the beach when the had killed business on the Bowers. The stormy wind was hurling the surf under the tumult against the sands.

His voice was not in it. The skippers passing vessels heard through the storm and pitied the poor, helpless seaman who lay there with his arms outstretched in the darkness over there on the bar.

But the rest of Coney Island fell off its half the first hot Sunday when this ingenious "barker" trained his megaphone from the front porch on the crowd of bicyclists that whirled along the broad promenade.

The cries of his feeble rivals were hushed at that belting that seemed to fill up earth and sky. Down the long thoroughfare where thousands moved rolled that "best of sound."

"Check your wheels!" it thundered. Then, terrifying, multiplied accents roared out: "Check them wheels! Check 'em here, all 'em inside! Can't ye hear 'em? If ye don't get 'em then wheels 'll blow ye off, an' I'll blow ye off if ye don't!"

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The megaphone and done its work. The crowd first he had stopped at sandwiches and waited to see him hold up others.

The nickels dropped into the till, and when night went down it left the megaphone "barker" with a happy heart and his boss with a full pocket.

Next morning every "barker" in Coney Island started, bright and early, for town, and to-day the bicyclist trundling along the Coney streets runs between two files of megaphones, carrying their deafening welcome into his ear. "Barkers" big and "barkers" little, dressed in all sorts of raiment, and posed catch-as-catch-can, struggle with megaphones which are made fast by guy ropes suspended from the roofs. And the noise of their megaphones is like the sound of many waters, "many, many, Ho-o-o, Bill! Check it! Check it! Yo-o-o-are tired out."

A Lake George Discovery.

There is not much difference between the tennis ball to the baseball, "out go off on a bat, while I go off on a racket."

GREENWOOD LAKE BASS.

Fishermen, Young and Old, Are Making Great Records in Size of Fish and Quantity Taken.

Greenwood Lake, July 17.—One of the prettiest bass taken this season was caught Monday off Windermere dock by Isaac Garrison, the house guide. It weighed 3½ pounds and was greatly admired.

Ross Wilson, the twelve-year-old son of Proprietor Wilson, holds the record for having caught consecutively the three largest bass. The youngster captured the fish off the Windermere grounds while casting with live bait. They weighed 2½, 2½ and 3½ pounds.

William Garrison, guide at Warwick Woodlands, last Tuesday caught twenty-three bass, and Messrs. Reeves and Huntington, accompanied by Guide "Len" McCloud, caught forty-seven.

The prettiest little craft at the upper end is the Amelia, owned by Mr. Stiles, while at Woodlands Mr. De Graw has the Zulu, a craft that has won four races on the Hudson. The lake now presents a pretty sight, with all the steam and sailing craft afloat. Along shore the little white tents tell the tale of camp life, which has always been a favorite way of spending the summer at Greenwood Lake.

Arrivals at the Windermere—Dr. and Mrs. Willard H. Rogers, Otto H. Waefling, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Howe, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Conquest, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Bogert, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rider, Miss Daisy Rider, Mrs. F. A. Wilcox, Mrs. Wilcox, Miss Armitage, Robert Goeller, F. J. McLaughlin, H. C. Janssen, New York; E. D. Fmy, Mr. and Mrs. A. Snedeker, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mahan, Brooklyn; Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Stewart, Cleveland, O.; Miss Stacy, Geneva, N. X.; Mrs. Adrian Tuttle, Watkins, N. Y.

Brandon—H. P. Krookham, Captain J. D. Fitzgerald, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Tillard, nurse and children; Mrs. H. Bedell, Miss Bedell, Mrs. F. Gibson, A. J. Conant, Mrs. J. H. Furney, Mrs. M. Nicholson, Miss Nicholson, J. H. Cook, New York; A. M. Franklin, Brooklyn; Miss C. Van Buren, St. Louis; J. H. Banta, Sparkville, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Pryor, R. Pryor, Jr., Mrs. S. W. Pickering, Miss Pickering, Rev. George Brower, Rev. Ford C. Ottomann, A. B. Twitchell, J. Albright, Jr., Newark, N. J.; Hon. H. P. Frothingham, Mount Arlington, "Warwick Woodlands—Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Murphy, W. S. Mackey, Mr. and Mrs. F.

E. Rogers, Miss Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hamill, New York; Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Crockett, Bridgeport; A. Shellworth and family, Paterson; Mr. and Mrs. L. Fredrick, W. S. Johnson, W. J. Schoonover, W. B. Clements, H. J. Williams, Miss Atherton, Jersey City.

At the Cooperstown Colony

May—I wonder why it is that young lawyers so seldom marry?

Ninon—I suppose it's because they spend the most of their lives going to court.

A SCHOOLEY'S MOUNTAIN IDEA

The Night Picnic Is Becoming a Favorite Pleasure of the Summer Visitor.

Schooley's Mountain, July 17.—The most interesting feature of the week was an illuminated night picnic. A party of young people conceived the idea of visiting the Silver Cascade. They took with them Chinese lanterns, which they hung among the trees, and then feasted and enjoyed mandarin music.

There was a five-mile bicycle race Tuesday between Misses J. D. Packard and C. L. Close, New York. Miss Close won by a hundred yards and secured a bicycle lantern.

A party of youngsters, full of animal spirit and ambition to do something rash, secured enough supernatural clothing to cover a small army of tramps and then went forth and filled a farmer's corn field full of scarecrows. The farmer hasn't said a word, but now owns the clothing.

Twenty persons engaged in a progressive euchre party at the Downcourt on Tuesday evening, and the orchestra played while the game progressed.

The Musconetcong River is overflowing its banks and permits of excellent swimming. It is but one mile from the mountain.

Arrivals at Hotel Downcourt are: Mr. and Mrs. C. Schmidt, H. C. Gifford, B. H. Street, Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Bristol, J. M. Kelley, Dr. G. B. Fowler, Mrs. Fowler, Miss Fowler, C. Hoffman, G. H. Place, F. A. Kerr, Miss L. Horner, Mrs. Horner, Mrs. T. P. Mercereau, Miss Mercereau, Miss C. O. Mercereau, Master M. Mercereau.

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Catskill, N. Y., July 17.—Catskill has its full quota of summer guests, although as yet the regular guests of a number of houses have not arrived. Next week is said to be the expected banner week of July, as many bookings have been made at the numerous hotels and boarding houses in the village and vicinity.

The steam yacht Raquette, having on board her owner, Captain William Jasper Cronk, Mrs. Cronk, Miss Charlotte Cronk, William Cronk, Charles Cronk and Charles Smith, H. Glasser and J. C. Bapelyeva, Hoboken, and Miss Cronk, Poughkeepsie, has been lying in the mouth of the creek all week. The party have spent the summer here for several years past on the yacht Florence.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Holzderber, of the Hotel Bayard, New York, are at the hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilkinson, Jacob Baurhfyte, and Mr. and Mrs. Pakenham, Brooklyn, are among the recent arrivals in the village.

Half a dozen members of the Peekskill Canoe Club are camping on Rogers Island. Next week they will make a trip in their canoes down the river a short distance, and upon their return will go to Lake George for a few weeks.

William Van Hoesen, New York, is spending a month here.

Major William Flimley, Commissioner of Jurors, of New York, is among the arrivals of the past week.

Aquatic Catskill was out in force Tuesday evening to witness a tub race on the Catskill creek, north of the first town bridge. The contestants were Morris Rink, William Bedell and George Webster, all of New York, and the prize, a miniature church built inside of a two-quart bottle, was won by Mr. Rink.

Marmaduke Roy, Woodstock, Ill., is the guest of his nieces, the Misses Fanning, Prospect avenue.

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Gilbert, Mrs. Ella H. Gilbert, of Staten Island, are among the latest arrivals.

Every train on the west mountain railroad carries throngs of passengers, most of whom disembark at Kaaterskill station, en route to either of the hotels or Tannersville and the surrounding parks.

A number of the guests at the hotel, especially those of the fair sex, have become imbued with the idea that they would like to learn to play billiards, and the men are sometimes almost driven out of the billiard room to make way for the young women who are intent on learning to play the game.

Pine Hill, N. Y., July 7.—Emanuel Tannenbaum, New York, who has a cottage here for the summer, has taken a view of the Belle Ay observatory, one of the quaint old log cabins standing near by, and another view, taken from the top of the Belle Ay observatory, of the Grand Hotel, Summit Mountain, with the summer cottages in the distance. These are the only views ever taken of these notable points, and are prized very highly by the photographer, who, although an amateur, secured excellent results.

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At the Grand View are Mrs. W. Van Loan, Miss Florence Van Loan, Mr. and Mrs. Berlinger, three children and nurse, Mrs. P. Hirsch, Mrs. B. Berolzheimer, Miss Florence Berolzheimer, Daniel D. Berolzheimer, Mrs. B. Lanfory and Miss Emble, Miss Myer and Mr. Robert Stanley, New York.

The guests at the Woodbine cottage are Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Crosby, Charles H. Wackenburg, Mr. and Mrs. H. Lyons, New York; Mrs. E. H. Pardee, Miss Marie Pardee, Miss Mary Pardee and Miss L. E. Pardee, Montpelier, Vt.

Grovesend cottage has nearly its full quota of guests, among the late arrivals being Charles F. Young and family, Miss C. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Rensen, Mr. B. Lambertson, Brooklyn.

Late arrivals at the Mountain Inn are: Howard Van Gelder, Brown University,

Miss Anna Rosenthal, W. F. More and family, J. Schattman, Jr., L. Sworts, L. Cone and family, B. Taub, J. P. Landman and family, Mrs. George W. Powell and Mrs. A. Hadcock, New York.

Stanford, N. Y., July 17.—At Church Hill last week there was a successful heart party given in the "tower room" by the young ladies of the hotel. The room, which is a large circular one, was tastefully decorated and just comfortably accommodated the players, who were as follows: Mrs. Pitcairn, Mrs. Smith, the Misses Benet, Du Witt, Whitlock, Blunt, Wheeler, Durant, Churchill, Burt, Campbell and Appleton and the Messrs. Campbell, Durant, Du Witt, Blunt, Sheldon, Baldwin and Pitcairn. The prizes were of silver and very handsome